

# WARNING SIGNS

of someone who may be at  
**RISK OF SUICIDE**

- > Abrupt change in personality
- > **Giving away prized possessions**
- > Previous suicide attempts
- > **Increase in drug or alcohol use**
- > Eating disturbance, either weight gain or loss
- > **Sleep disturbance, either too much or too little**
- > Inability to tolerate frustration
- > **Withdrawal and rebelliousness**
- > Isolating and choosing to spend time alone

- > Decline in personal hygiene
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- > **Increase in hostility**
- > Decrease in academic performance
- > **Difficulty concentrating**
- > Recent family or relational disruption

## WHAT YOU CAN DO TO SAVE A LIFE

- > If you see the signs, ask the person, "Are you suicidal?"
- > **Offer hope, don't leave them alone, and tell others**
- > Take the person to the nearest ER, call the police, take them to a health care professional or
- > **Call the Montana Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255)**



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